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SB 1739 RELATING TO AQUARIUM FISH PERMITS

Statement for
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SB 1739 proposes to amend HRS Section 188-31 relating to netting and trapping for aquarium purposes. This statement on the bills does not reflect an institutional position of the University.

The bill proposes two amendments related to cancellation of permits.

- 1) To remove a provision allowing the Board of Land and Natural Resources to cancel a permit "at its discretion." The section spells out the circumstances under which a permit is cancelled. The Board should not have discretion to cancel a permit under any other circumstances.
- 2) To add a provision to the effect that a person whose permit has been cancelled may not get a new permit for two years.

Both amendments are appropriate.